ALMONT PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 21, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Peltier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Absent:

Guests Present:

Members Present: Gary D. Peltier Chairperson

Oliver Turner Secretary/Treasurer

(Arrived 7:03 p.m.)

Paula Alfonsi Member
Cindee Cimaroli Member
Matt Henry Member
Roberta Kudsin Member
Terry Roach Member

Rick Tobias Member

Wes Wagester Vice-Chairperson
Jean Cryderman Member

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None

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Secretary/Treasurer Turner informed the Board that, at this point in the fiscal year, 22.01% of anticipated revenues had been collected and 22.76% of anticipated expenditures have been committed, with a benchmark of 45.3% existing for the current fiscal year to date.

Secretary/Treasurer Turner also informed the Board that the current fund balance remains stable and totals approximately \$16,000, but that additional projects could cause this amount to decrease as projects are completed and paid.

Moved by Tobias, supported by Kudsin, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY to approve the consent agenda, as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Quote for Park Sign

Discussion was held regarding the purchase of a new sign pole and signs for both Murphy Park and the Community Park from Craig's Signs in the amount of \$2,215 (to include installation of the pole and signs).

Moved by Roach, supported by Kudsin, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY to approve an amount not to exceed \$2,500 to pay for the replacement sign pole and signs from Craig's Signs (to include installation of the pole and signs) and to pay for any additional costs for electrical work and/or required inspections/permits.

It was the consensus of the Board to include the small plaque memorializing Frederick Kidder on the new sign pole.

2. Flag and Pole

Secretary/Treasurer Turner informed the Board he would be willing to contact Vice-Chairperson Wagester regarding the flag that could be provided by the Lions Club for the community park.

3. Liability Info/Petting Zoo/Splash Pad

Discussion was held regarding information received from the Village's liability insurance carrier regarding the hosting of a petting zoo during music in the park, the sale of alcohol in the park, and constructing a splash pad.

4. Four County Community Foundation Grant Application

Secretary/Treasurer Turner informed the Board that he was preparing to assemble a grant application to be submitted to the Four County Community Foundation for funds that could support the creation of a children's bicycle circle; the purchase of additional playground equipment; and the purchase of landscaping items to be installed by the proposed children's bicycle circle. The Board held discussion about the grant and the fact that a match in an amount ranging between \$2,500 and \$3,000 would be required.

It was the consensus of the Board to pursue the grant, as discussed.

5. 50/50 Raffle Information (Mr. Roach)

This topic was tabled until the next Regular Meeting.

6. Ordinance Evaluations

Discussion was held about the proposed changes to the Park Control Ordinance and the Parks and Recreation Board Ordinance.

Moved by Roach, supported by Turner, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY to approve any expenses related to the legal review and/or publication of both proposed ordinances.

7. Re-Seeing of Glinski Lot

Discussion was held about the need to reseed the Glinski lot in the spring.

8. Ice Rink Update

Discussion was held about the community ice rink; when the liner could be put onto the frame; whether the rink could be opened at night; and whether lights should be placed on the nearby DTE Energy pole to illuminate the ice rink.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Board held discussion about the need to have the ice rink open to the general public at all times and to not reserve it for any particular group.

In addition, it was the consensus of the Board that a meeting not be held during the month of December.

Moved by Tobias, supported by Turner, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY to approve an amount not to exceed \$70 per month to place a porta-potty at the community ice rink site.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Oliver Turner

Secretary/Treasurer

Gary D. Peltier

Park Chairperson